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## **News Release**

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COalition YOuth Team, COYOTE, invites employers to join the "pack" that has pledged summer jobs, projects, services, and funding for the Youth Summer Program 2004. Sponsoring employers and youth will participate in an eight-week program (June 7 – July 30) implemented through the Mohave County One-Stop Career Centers. The program provides two weeks of foundation coursework (work readiness, leadership, life skills) followed by six weeks of work experience (on-site in the workplace or in a project group).

Many employers joining COYOTE have been enthusiastic about investing in our county's emerging workforce. COYOTE Steering Committees have been established in each major community and include representatives of the Chambers of Commerce, private sector employers such as Unisource Energy, Goodyear, and Southwire, Inc., as well as city and county personnel. Laron Incorporated, Mohave Engineering Inc., Mohave County's Library, Finance, Public Works, and Sheriff's Office as well as many small businesses are sponsoring jobs.

More employers are needed. The program will serve as many youth as possible based on resources available. All funds donated to COYOTE will be used for direct work-related training costs. Donations may be tax-deductible depending on the donor's tax situation. All sponsors and participants will be recognized at the summer program concluding Awards Celebration and Recognition Event on July 30.

COYOTE is an initiative of the Mohave/ La Paz Workforce Investment Board's Youth Council and is endorsed by the Mohave County Board of Supervisors.

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